

KEYES DEWITT METCALF, Librarian of Harvard College *Emeritus*, and Librarian of the world's libraries. Not content with three successive successful and distinguished careers as Librarian of Oberlin, of the New York Public Library, and of Harvard, you have since your presumed retirement a decade ago continued to give of yourself, of your wide experience, and of your quick perception in the planning and design of modern libraries from Canberra to County Cork, and from Lima to London. No library-towered hermit, while cognizant of the great library traditions, you have always looked to the future rather than the past, to space-age means of accomplishing the age-old ends of the safe keeping and easy access of our literature, our culture, and our knowledge. To Carlyle's aphorism that the true university is a collection of books, you would add that the information within them must be well known and organized, at ready hand for all scholars.

As the son of a Bowdoin alumnus of the Class of 1847, and the grandfather of another of the Class of 1964, we are proud to honor you for your remarkable and generous contribution to the planning of Bowdoin's new library, and on behalf of the scholars of the world, for your contributions to all libraries and all learning.

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